

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission
City of Jasper, Indiana
October 7, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, October 7, 2008, at the Jasper Arts Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and then roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Doug Abbett, Mickey Seger, Michael Jones, Sylvia Metzger, Norma Kreilein, Myra Schuetter, Don Routson, and Don Weisheit. **Commission Members Absent:** Ann Hilgefort, Pat Thyen, and Robin Norris. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Donna Schepers, Amy Laakman, and Kelley Leuck. **Regional Services Coordinator:** Jill Watson. **City Attorney:** Sandy Hemmerlein. **Guests in attendance:** Jasper Herald reporter: Laura Gleason, Darrell Blocker.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sylvia Metzger moved to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2008 meeting. **Don Weisheit** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

City Financial Statement

Don Routson moved to approve the financial statement. **Don Weisheit** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

City Claims and Regional Partnership Grant Claims

City claims in the amount of \$29,013.11 were presented. Regional Partnership Grant claims in the amount of \$30,720.00 were presented. After conclusion of discussion, it was moved by **Don Routson** to accept the claims as presented. **Don Weisheit** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Darrell Blocker of the Jasper Rotary Club addressed the board. The Rotary Club would like to partner with the Arts Center to bring Daniel Rodriguez to the Arts Center. The Rotary Club would split the profits with the Arts Center, with our profits going towards the building fund. Discussion was held.

Note: At 4:44 Doug Abbett Arrived.

Don Weisheit made a motion to pursue the idea of pairing with the Rotary Club and to approach the City council with the idea. **Norma Kreilein** seconded. Motion passed 7-0 (Mike Jones abstained because he is a Rotary Club member).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director's Report/Performing Arts

Kit reported.

- The Gubernatorial Debate is over. The Congressional Debate will be on October 21st.
- The Pianafiddle show was very well received.
- Ticket sales have been a little soft this year. VUJC has bought 400 tickets to four different performances to give away to their students.
- The next Performing Arts Committee meeting will be in November.

Building & Structures Report

Doreen reported.

- Twenty people attended the light and sound workshop. The ages ranged from 10 years old through retirement age. Most in attendance were interested in learning about sound.

Note: At 5:05 Mickey Seger left.

- Doreen needs volunteers to help set up for the New York Theatre Ballet on October 9th and 10th.

Education Report

Donna reported.

- The New York Theatre Ballet will be here on Friday. They will be doing 2 school performances and a public performance.
- Mauvais Sort will be here the week of October 13th.
- The Pianafiddle workshop at the high school went really well. There were 150 band students in attendance.

Visual Arts Report

Amy reported.

- The Juried Show has closed.
- The reception for Andrew Davis was this past Sunday. Attendance was light.
- The workshops are going well, but not all the classes were filled.
- There are still tickets available for the Wizard of Oz Art Lecture on October 26th.
- VUJC has bought 100 tickets for the Wizard of Oz sing a long on October 30th.

Region 11 Report

Jill reported.

- The Regional Grants Ceremony will be on October 15th at 6:30 Mauvais Sort will be performing. Lost River Market and Deli will be catering.
- Traditional Arts Indiana wants to survey any traditional artists in the area. This will help identify artists and craftsmen in our region.
- The next INteract meeting will be on October 28th. They will be discussing Cultural needs in our area. Indiana Arts Commission staff will also attend to promote available arts grants.

Old Business

- Kit discussed several point in the strategic plan. More discussion will be held at the next board meeting in order to give board members time to review the plan and offer any suggestions.

New Business

- There was no new business to discuss

Adjournment

Sylvia Metzger made a motion to adjourn at 5:47 pm. Don Routson seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Mike Jones

Attested